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In re the application of
Burbank et al.

For: **METHODS AND APPARATUS
FOR SECURING MEDICAL
INSTRUMENTS TO DESIRED
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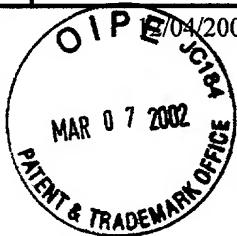


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